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Dear Air Board,

I am taking the time to write you because I believe it is time we stop wasting time and permit the Potomac River Generating Station to move forward with their plans to renovate their facility. We need to realize that the energy they provide is necessary for our region, and allowing them to make these improvements will give them the chance to continue providing our communities with energy while making them friendlier to the environment as well.

Their plan allows them to lower emissions without increasing the height of the stacks. This is a benefit visually, and considering their location in regards to the airport makes even more sense from a safety standpoint.

I am retired, but I have lived in this community for 50 years. I do not believe it makes sense to prevent Mirant from improving their facilities and lowering their impact on our community when the power they provide is as important as it is to the surrounding area. They put enough energy into our grid to provide for 480,000 homes. Do we really think it is wise to risk losing that substantial amount at a time when our demand for energy just continues to grow?

Best,

Marius Christiansen